

PERFECTING ONE'S

ISLAM, ĪMĀN, HIJRAH, AND JIHĀD

Fadālah Ibn Ubayd Al Ansari (رضي الله عنه) reported that,

Rasūlullāh (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said during the Farewell Hajj,

"Shall I not inform you who the Muslim is? The Muslim is he from whose tongue and hand the Muslims are safe. The mu'min is he whom the people trust with their wealth and lives. The muhajir is he who abandons misdeeds and sins. And the mujahid is he who exerts himself in obedience to Allah."
[Sahīh: Reported by Imām Ahmad]

'Amr Ibn 'Abasah (رضي الله عنه) came to
Rasūlullāh (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and said,

"O Rasulullah, who is with you upon this matter?"

He replied, "a freeman [Abu Bakr] and a slave [Bilal]."

He asked, "what is Islam?"

He replied, "saying good words and feeding the poor."

He asked, "what is Iman?"

He replied, "patience and kindness."

He asked, "what Islam is best?"

He replied, "he from whose tongue and hand the Muslims are safe."

He asked, "what Iman is best?"

He replied, "good character."

He asked, “what hour is best?”

He replied, “the last portion of the night.”
[Part of a hadīth reported by Imām Ahmad with a weak isnād; the individual replies have supporting ahādīth.]